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BOOK REVIEWS.

A SELECTION OF CASES AND STATUTES ON THE PRINCIPLES OF CODE PLEADING, WITH NOTES. By Charles M. Hepburn. Cincinnati: W. H. Anderson & Co. 1901. pp. xxxvi, 651.

This is a book of some six hundred pages, containing a collection of cases designed, in their selection, to illustrate the principles of code pleading; and for employment, as appears upon the title page, in the instruction of students in law schools. The book is divided into three chapters; the first, of four pages upon the Origin, Nature and Extent of Code Pleading; the second, of one hundred and eighty-two upon The One Form of Civil Action, and the third, of four hundred and thirty-nine pages upon the question In Whose Name the Civil Action should be Brought.

Such a collection, of course, has its uses. Any lawyer or student interested in the doctrines of *Lawrence v. Fox*, and the mass of applications, distinctions and exceptions which have grown from and upon that celebrated legal plant, will here find much to his hand, in sufficiently logical arrangement. But it is deemed that the first necessary quality for a collection of cases for students, is symmetry. If this quality be lacking the result must be confusion to the student. He will inevitably acquire a blurred and distorted view of the subject. A lecturer upon anatomy who should prepare a mannikin with an arm of a size suitable only for a monstrous giant, should not wonder if his students acquired impressions of the subject inadequate and erroneous, in which the importance of the arm would be exaggerated. The arrangement of the subjects of this volume as above stated, gives some indication of the violation of the rule of symmetry. The third chapter which occupies more than two thirds of the volume treats of a subject important in the law of contracts, but of subordinate interest in the law of pleading; while the illustrations of the main principles of allegation, causes of action and their statement, election of remedies, denials, defenses and demurrers are either omitted or obscured.

INJUNCTIONS AND OTHER EXTRAORDINARY REMEDIES. By Thomas Carl Spelling. Second Edition. Boston: Little, Brown & Co. 1901. 2 vols. pp. clxii, 821; 823-1894.

The first edition of this work was issued in 1893, and appears to have met with sufficient approval to warrant the publication of this revised and enlarged edition. It has been prepared for practitioners, has a very full table of contents and a satisfactory index, so that any special topic can be readily found, with citation of cases bearing thereupon; and the volumes may be fairly described as a digest of general principles and of the cases, which the busy lawyer,